UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

United States of America

V.

Case No. 06-cr-97-1-3-4-6-SM

Edward Cervantes Arias, Leslie B. Smith, Allen R. Hall, and Terri Hodgkin

<u>ORDER</u>

Defendants Terri Hodgkin and Leslie Smith have filed motions to continue the final pretrial conference and trial (documents no. 87 and 88). Both motion are granted. Trial has been rescheduled for the March 2008 trial period.

Defendants Hodgkin and Smith shall file a waivers of speedy trial rights not later than December 24, 2007. On the filing of such waiver, their continuances shall be effective.

The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting a continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial, 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv), in that failure to grant a continuance would unreasonably deny defendants the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation taking into account the exercise of due diligence under the circumstances.

Final Pretrial Conference: February 22, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

Jury Selection: March 4, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

SO ORDERED.

Steven J. McAuliffe

Chief Judge

December 17, 2007

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